

***Remarks***

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-36 are pending in the application, with claims 1 and 15 being the independent claims. The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies and also to correct typographical errors. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g), this submission includes no new matter.

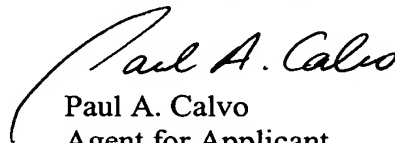
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), the paper copy of the Sequence Listing and the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith in the above application are the same.

***Summary***

It is respectfully believed that this application is now in condition for examination. Early notice to this effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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